

Public Communication of Significant Aspects for 2015

Wright-Patterson Air Force Base is continually looking for ways to minimize its environmental footprint. One of these is through the Environmental Management System (EMS) on base and identifying activities and processes that can significantly impact the environment. The activities, called aspects, have been identified for evaluation and potential impact reduction. These have to do with:

- Groundwater
- Storage tank management
- Natural invasive species

Environmental action plans have been created with objectives, targets, and goals to reduce the impact these aspects have on the environment. A brief summary is below.

Groundwater -- Groundwater aspect deals with the potential for groundwater contamination near the base boundary at Riverview Road. The objectives are to identify the nature and extent of any groundwater contamination and work any needed remediation.

Storage tank management -- A significant aspect due to ongoing corrosion and secondary containment issues and the need to install secondary containment in the fuel offloading area located in Area A. The objectives are to ensure above ground storage tanks and the fuel offloading area is compliant with industry standards, federal, state, local, and Air Force requirements.

Natural invasive species -- Invasive species is significant due to the Emerald Ash Borer infestation. The objectives are to effectively manage the infestation to ensure no ash trees become hazards and to replace dying ash trees with native species.

Any questions on these aspects or the EMS program on WPAFB can be directed to the EMS Coordinator at:
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